Journal Entry: 2 Ways to Help the Economy

Dear Journal,

After looking through all 33 ways to help our economy run more efficiently and more smoothly, I have found 2 that I can definitely take action and do right away. They are easy and difficult in their own way, which provides me a challenge in some areas.

My first way to help the economy is to carpool to school everyday. Since my neighbor, Kara, lives on the same street as I, and goes to the same school, there is no reason not to carpool. It’s saves gas, and takes one car off the road. Every car counts! This idea is simple and easy in the sense that we live on the exact same street and go to the exact same school and are in the exact same grade. The challenging part is waking up on time, and not being late for one another. Sometimes, it’s hard to get out of bed at 5:45 in the morning, make breakfast, and then quickly get ready for your neighbor to pick you up. And it’s important that YOU, the one who your neighbor is giving a ride to, aren’t late especially because it’s embarrassing having to rush out there with your collar askew, backpack half ajar, and hair all sticking out in uneven parts. It’s a tough thing, but it helps the economy run more efficiently and I am willing to do it for a week.

Secondly, I plan to keep the lights in our house off as much as possible for this week and hopefully, for a very long time. It’s not as easy as it seems to keep the lights off when you don’t really need them. Sometimes, you just plainly forget to turn them off, and other times, your just too lazy to turn them off and wait for your dad or little brother to do it for you. The idea is simple and all it takes it one finger to do it, but most of the time, I’ll forget. But for this week, I will make it a point to turn off the lights when I don’t need them, and I’ll know that by doing this, we’re saving energy, but were also helping with global warming.

Hopefully, all goes well this week, and I look forward to a challenging and meaningful experience.

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